

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently amended) In a wireless communications device ~~enabled for communication in a wireless communications network~~, a method of ~~translating a portion of a text-based communication to be transmitted from the wireless device~~, comprising:

during composition of a text-based communication, determining ~~which a portion of inputted text~~ of the text-based communication ~~[[is]]~~ to be translated by ~~continually~~ monitoring the text-based communication for the presence of a ~~[[text]]~~ trigger symbol inputted into the text during composition of the text, the trigger symbol indicating ~~which the portion of~~ text to translate;

sending a translation request, the translation request configured for reception by a translation service ~~means~~ server and comprising the portion of text to be translated;

receiving and ~~associatively~~ storing ~~with a translation of the indicated portion of~~ text ~~a translation thereof~~, from a first language to a second language;

stopping the ~~continual~~ monitoring of the text-based communication upon ~~detecting an indication~~ receiving instructions indicating that the text-based communication is to be sent;

providing ~~one or more~~ a prompt~~[[s]]~~, ~~such that there is one~~ the prompt corresponding to ~~each previously translated~~ the portion of text and further where ~~[[each]]~~ the prompt comprises the ~~corresponding~~ translation of the portion of text; ~~[[and]]~~

when a response to the prompt indicates replacement of the portion of text, replacing the portion of text in the text-based communication with the translation; and

~~sending the text-based communication after a response has been received for each prompt.~~

2-4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said replacing comprises receiving instructions confirming the translation replacement.

6. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[5]] 1 wherein the response to the prompts indicate a request for an alternative translation, wherein replacing the portion of text confirming the replacement comprises obtaining at least one alternative replacement from said translation service server and ~~wherein said replacing comprises~~ replacing the portion of text using a one of the at least one alternative replacement.

7. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 comprising maintaining a store of portions of text and respective ~~replacements~~ translations on said communications device; and using said store to determine the translation for the portion of text replacement.

8. (Currently amended) The method of claim 7 wherein the store of [[said]] portions of text and respective translations ~~replacements are~~ is defined by prior translations ~~performed using the communications device.~~

9. (Currently amended) ~~A system for translating a text-based communication to be transmitted from a wireless communications device, the wireless communications device being coupleable for communicating in a wireless communications network, the system comprising:~~

~~an application coupled to a processor and configured for~~ executing computer-readable instructions that, when executed, causes the system to:

during composition of a text-based communication, determine[[ing]] which a portion of inputted text of the text-based communication [[is]] to be translated by ~~continually~~ monitoring the text-based communication for the presence of a [[text]] trigger symbol inputted into the text during composition of the text, the trigger symbol indicating ~~which~~ the portion of text to translate;

send[[ing]] a translation request, the translation request configured for reception by a translation service ~~means~~ server and comprising the portion of text to be translated;

receive[[ing]] and ~~associatively~~ storing a translation of ~~with the indicated portion of text a translation thereof~~, from a first language to a second language;

stop[[ping]] the ~~continual~~ monitoring of the text-based communication upon ~~detecting an indication~~ receiving instructions indicating that the text-based communication is to be sent;

provide[[ing]] ~~one or more~~ a prompt[[s]], ~~such that there is one~~ the prompt corresponding to ~~each previously translated~~ the portion of text and further where [[each]] the prompt comprises the ~~corresponding~~ translation of the portion of text; [[and]]

when a response to the prompt indicates replacement of the portion of text, replace the portion of text in the text-based communication with the translation; and

send[[ing]] the text-based communication ~~after a response has been received for each prompt.~~

10-11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently amended) A mobile device ~~for wirelessly communicating text-based communications configured for use in a communications network, the mobile device comprising a processor for implementing:~~

a composition component to compose text ~~for communicating wirelessly~~ in a text-based communication; and

a translation component configured for:

during composition of the text-based communication, determining which a portion of inputted text of the text-based communication ~~[[is]]~~ to be translated by ~~continually~~ monitoring the text-based communication for the presence of a ~~[[text]]~~ trigger symbol inputted into the text during composition of the text, the trigger symbol indicating ~~which~~ the portion of text to translate;

sending a translation request, the translation request configured for reception by a translation service ~~means~~ server and comprising the portion of text to be translated;

receiving and ~~associatively~~ storing a translation of ~~with~~ the indicated portion of text ~~a translation thereof~~, from a first language to a second language;

stopping the ~~continual~~ monitoring of the text-based communication upon ~~detecting an indication~~ receiving instructions indicating that the text-based communication is to be sent;

providing ~~one or more~~ a prompt~~[[s]], such that there is one~~ the prompt corresponding to each ~~previously translated~~ the portion of text and further where ~~[[each]]~~ the prompt comprises the ~~corresponding~~ translation of the portion of text; ~~[[and]]~~

when a response to the prompt indicates replacement of the portion of text, replacing the portion of text in the text-based communication with the translation; and

sending the text-based communication ~~after a response has been received for each prompt.~~

13-14. (Cancelled)

15. (Currently amended) The mobile device of claim 12 wherein the translation component comprises a user interface to confirm the ~~replacement~~ translation to replace the portion of text.

16. (Currently amended) The mobile device of claim 12 wherein the translation component is adapted to, when the response to the prompt indicates a request for an alternative translation, obtain at least one alternative replacement from said translation service server and ~~wherein said user interface is adapted to confirm a one of the at least one alternative replacement to replace~~ for replacing the portion of text.

17-19. (Cancelled)

20. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein ~~[[a]]~~ the response to the prompt ~~a replacement translated portion of text~~ comprises any of:

an ‘accept translation’ response whereby representing instructions that said replacement translated portion of text translation is to be used to replace a corresponding original the portion of [[the]] text based communication;

a ‘reject translation’ response representing instructions that ~~whereby an original the portion of [[the]] text based communication corresponding to said replacement translated portion~~ is to be retained instead of replacing it with said translation replacement translated portion of text; [[or]] and

a 'reject and ask for more' response representing instructions whereby a further request for translation of an original portion of text of the text-based communication is formulated and sent to the translation service means to obtain one or more alternative translations further replacement translated portions of text, the method further comprising providing a further prompt to receive a response to said one or more further replacement translated portions of text.

21. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[20]] 6, further comprising, before replacing the portion of text, providing at least one further prompt, wherein the further prompt enables a selection of one of said one or more further replacement translated portions of text alternative translations to replace a corresponding original the portion of [[the]] text based communication or to reject all of said one or more alternative translations further replacement translated portions of text whereby said corresponding original portion of text is retained.

22. (Currently amended) The system of claim 9, wherein the computer-readable instructions, when executed, further causes the system wherein the application is configured to receive [[a]] the response to the prompt a replacement translated portion of text, the response comprising any of:

an 'accept translation' response whereby representing instructions that said replacement translated portion of text translation is to be used to replace a corresponding original the portion of [[the]] text based communication;

a 'reject translation' response representing instructions that whereby an original the portion of [[the]] text based communication corresponding to said replacement translated portion is to be retained instead of replacing it with said translation replacement translated portion of text; [[or]] and

a 'reject and ask for more' response representing instructions whereby a further request for translation of an original portion of text of the text-based communication is formulated and sent to the translation service means to obtain one or more alternative translations further replacement translated portions of

~~text, the method further comprising providing a further prompt to receive a response to said one or more further replacement translated portions of text.~~

23. (Currently amended) The system of claim ~~[[22]]~~ 27, ~~wherein the application is configured~~ wherein the computer-readable instructions, when executed, further causes the system to, before replacing the portion of text, provide at least one further prompt, wherein provide said further prompt [[to]] enables selection of a specific one of said one or more alternative translations further replacement translated portions of text to replace a corresponding original the portion of [[the]] text based communication or to reject all of said one or more alternative translations further replacement translated portions of text whereby said corresponding original portion of text is retained.

24. (Currently amended) The mobile device of claim 12, wherein the translation component is configured to receive ~~[[a]]~~ the response to the prompt ~~a replacement translated portion of text~~ , the response comprising any of:

an ‘accept translation’ response whereby representing instructions that said replacement translated portion of text translation is to be used to replace a corresponding original the portion of [[the]] text based communication;

a ‘reject translation’ response representing instructions that whereby an original the portion of [[the]] text based communication corresponding to said replacement translated portion is to be retained instead of replacing it with said translation replacement translated portion of text; [[or]] and

a ‘reject and ask for more’ response representing instructions whereby a further request for translation of an original portion of text of the text based communication is formulated and sent to the translation service means to obtain one or more alternative translations further replacement translated portions of text, the method further comprising providing a further prompt to receive a response to said one or more further replacement translated portions of text.

25. (Currently amended) The mobile device of claim ~~[[24]]~~ 16, wherein the translation component is configured to, before replacing the portion of text, provide at least one further prompt, wherein provide said further prompt ~~[[to]]~~ enables selection of ~~a specific~~ one of said one or more alternative translations ~~further replacement translated portions of text to replace a corresponding original the portion of [[the]] text based communication or to reject all of said one or more alternative translations further replacement translated portions of text whereby said corresponding original portion of text is retained.~~

26. (New) The system of claim 9 wherein the computer-readable instructions, when executed, further causes the system to, in order to replace the portion of text, receive instructions confirming the translation.

27. (New) The system of claim 9 wherein the response to the prompt indicates a request for an alternative translation, and wherein the computer-readable instructions, when executed, further causes the system to, in order to replace the portion of text, obtain at least one alternative replacement from the translation service server and replace the portion of text using a one of the at least one alternative replacement.

28. (New) The system of claim 9 further comprising a memory coupled to the processor for maintaining a store of portions of text and respective translations, wherein the translation is determined using the store.

29. (New) The system of claim 28 wherein the store of portions of text and respective translations is defined by prior translations.

30. (New) The mobile device of claim 12 further comprising a memory coupled to the processor for maintaining a store of portions of text and respective translations, wherein the translation is determined using the store.

31. (New) The mobile device of claim 30 wherein the store of portions of text and respective translations is defined by prior translations.